

## Message Text

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ACTION EB-11

INFO OCT-01 ARA-16 ISO-00 CAB-09 CIAE-00 COME-00 DODE-00

DOT-00 INR-11 NSAE-00 RSC-01 FAA-00 SS-20 NSC-07 L-03

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FM AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, HO

SUBJECT: CIVAIR- FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIES TO FOREIGN  
AIRLINES- HONDURAS

REF: (A) STATE 162608

(B) TEGUCIGALPA 1935

1. FURTHER DETAILS ON SPECIFIC POINTS REFTEL (A) NOT READILY  
OBTAINED. ITEMS A THROUGH K REFTEL (A) ARE NOT FURTHER  
IDENTIFIABLE FORMS OF SUBSIDIES OR GOVERNMENT DIRECT  
ASSISTANCE TO THE NATIONAL AIRLINES OTHER THAN ALREADY  
COVERED IN REFTEL (B).

2. WE ARE AWARE THAT THE STATE AIR CARRIER, SERVICIO AEREO  
DE HONDURAS, S.A. (SAHSA), HAS RECENTLY PURCHASED A 737  
FROM BOEING. THIS PURCHASE MADE THROUGH EXPORT-IMPORT  
BANK FINANCING WHICH REQUIRED GOH GUARANTEE. WE ARE  
AWARE THAT TRANSPORTES AEREOS NACIONALES (TAN) SOUGHT, BUT  
WAS UNABLE TO OBTAIN, GOH GUARANTEE FOR EXPORT-IMPORT  
FINANCING FOR PURCHASE OF 737. THIS IS EVIDENCE OF INTERNAL  
COMPETITION AND FAVORITISM BY GOVERNMENT TOWARD ONE CARRIER.  
IT IS NOT EVIDENCE OF GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY TO SAHSA.

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NONETHELESS, BECAUSE OF THE CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WHICH

EXISTS BETWEEN THE CARRIER SAHSA AND THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE PARTICIPATION OF SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THE OWNERSHIP OF THE AIRLINE, SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS TO THE AIRLINE MAY BE GRANTED WHICH ARE NOT A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD OR OTHERWISE KNOWN TO THIS EMBASSY.

3. THE GENERAL CONDITION IS THAT, TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE, SAPB GOVERNMENT OF HONDURAS IS PROVIDING PREFERENCE TO SAHSA OVER TAN BUT THIS ASSISTANCE TO SAHSA DOES NOT CONSTITUTE OBSERVABLE SUBSIDIES.  
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